

MODULAR PIPE BREAKING ASSEMBLY AND METHOD

Abstract

A pipe breaking assembly is shown with a modular design that allows a user
5 to more economically purchase a single base unit that is adaptable using a number of
elements. Combinations of elements such as blade portions and expander cones,
etc. allow the modular assembly to be tailored to a variety of job conditions. A pipe
breaking assembly is shown that includes a particular configuration where a blade
portion is located in front of a shortened expander cone. The shortened expander
10 cone provides a lower contact area that in turn reduces friction.